Address of Requesting Entity: 2830 Calder Street, Beaumont, TX 77702

Description of Request: I have secured \$250,000 in funding under FEMA's Predisaster Mitigation account to allow for the purchase of a 2.5 megawatt diesel generating plant to ensure sanitary and safe conditions for both current and potential patients during disasters. Although the Hospital has basic generator capabilities to sustain life support, Hurricanes Rita and Ike have proved that this basic capacity is insufficient. During Hurricane Ike, 190 patients were unable to be evacuated and as commercial utilities were shut down, basic hospital operations were compromised. The generator will make certain that the Hospital remains serviceable by ensuring that power and water are functional; thus, allowing the Hospital to maintain its mission of providing essential medical care to the residents of southeast Texas.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

## HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Mr. CALVERT of California. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2996, the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman KEN CALVERT

Bill Number: H.R. 2996

Account: Environmental Protection Agency, STAG Water and Wastewater Infrastructure

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Western Municipal Water District

Address of Requesting Entity: 450 Alessandro Boulevard, Riverside, CA 92508

Description of Request: H.R. 2996 provides \$500,000 for the Western Municipal Water District for Arlington Desalter Biodenitrification project. The funding will be used to build a biological denitrification facility for drinking water. The process, called "Fixed-Bed Biological Treatment" (FXB) uses an innovative bioreactor to remove multiple contaminants from groundwater. Western Municipal Water District has completed pilot testing of the FXB process at the Arlington Desalter and has already received conditional approval from the California Department of Public Health for a full scale facility. This new facility will consist of a series of large biofilter, polishing and backwash equalization tanks as well as supply pumps and a new groundwater well. It will be built at the site of the Arlington Desalter in Riverside, California. The project benefits the City of Norco, portions of the City of Riverside, unincorporated areas of Riverside County, and any entity within the Arlington Groundwater Basin by cleaning the area's water supply and creating up to 3.7 million-gallons-per-day of new water.

Requesting Member: Congressman KEN CALVERT

Bill Number: H.R. 2996

Account: Environmental Protection Agency, STAG Water and Wastewater Infrastructure

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of San Juan Capistrano

Address of Requesting Entity: 32400 Paseo Adelanto, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675

Description of Request: H.R. 2996 provides \$500.000 to the City of San Juan Capistrano for ground water recovery plant expansion and regional distribution facility. The funding will allow the city to expand the current capacity of the existing treatment facility to 7.3 million-gallons-per-day from 5.6 million-gallons-per-day. During the ongoing drought, water that is produced locally can be conveyed to surrounding water agencies thereby reducing the demands placed on the Sacramento Bay Delta and the Colorado River. In the event of a natural disaster or other emergency, the treatment plant will have the ability to function as a regional distribution facility to neighboring water agencies and helping to provide a reliable source of safe drinking water.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

## HON. WALTER B. JONES

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Mr. JONES. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2996, the Department of the Interior, Environment and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, 2010:

Rep. WALTER B. JONES

Project: Rural Water Technical Assistance, National Rural Water Association

Recipient: National Rural Water Association, 2915 South 13th Street, Duncan, OK 74544

Account: Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Programs and Management Amount: \$13,000,000

Explanation: The funding will be used to provide rural water technical assistance, including source water and ground water protection, to help small rural communities across the nation protect their drinking water quality and comply with federal mandates.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

## HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I received as part of H.R. 2996, the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010:

Congressman SAM GRAVES, (MO-6), Department of the Interior, EPA/STAG Account—\$500,000 to the City of St. Joseph for Stormwater and Wastewater Infrastructure (1100 Frederick Avenue, St. Joseph, MO 64501)

The federal funding I obtained will be utilized by the City of St. Joseph, MO, to repair and update its aging stormwater and wastewater system. The community's sanitary and stormwater collection system is divided into two components: a large combined sewer system and a separated system. Specifically, the

funds will support the development and implementation of a county-wide Stormwater Management Plan to make improvements to the system to comply with EPA requirements and operational needs resulting from new regulations, system conditions and community growth in the City of St. Joseph and Buchanan County, MO. This federal funding has the potential to create new jobs with the increased sanitary waste capacity, as well as have a positive impact on ratepayers thanks to more efficient operations with improved water quality.

# HONORING THE EFFORTS OF MR. RUSS DAVIDSON

#### HON. DENNY REHBERG

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, June 25, 2009

Mr. REHBERG. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Russ Davidson of Colstrip, Montana, for 25 years of dedicated service to the Close Up Foundation. On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives and Montana, it's a privilege to thank Russ for his many years of service. As a high school teacher of history and gov-

As a high school teacher of history and government, Russ has traveled to Washington, D.C. with his students many times over the course of his career. According to his students and all who know him, Russ is an excellent teacher with years of experience in the classroom. Each year, I enjoy meeting with hundreds of Close Up students in Washington, D.C., and I appreciate the extent to which Close Up sponsors promote informed participation in the democratic process. Close Up gives students the unique opportunity to learn about the democratic process as they are introduced to lawmakers, public interest groups and personnel from all branches of government.

Thanks to people like Russ, students from across America are able to meet with their elected leaders and understand how they can make a positive difference through democratic participation. Once again, I thank Russ for his dedication as an educator and Close Up sponsor, and it's a privilege to formally recognize his efforts.

CELEBRATION OF THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF MARTHA POFFENBERGER McKINLEY

### HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, June 25, 2009

Mr. RADANOVICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today on behalf of my colleagues, Representative DEVIN NUNES and Representative JIM COSTA, to acknowledge, congratulate, and celebrate the 100th Birthday of Martha Poffenberger McKinley.

Martha has always been an active member of the Fresno community. She worked for the State of California Department of Industrial Welfare for many years, where she was involved with a number of business and professional organizations. She also founded and became the first president of the women's section of the Fresno County Chamber of Commerce.